

AGRICULTURAL NEWS

THINGS PERTAINING TO THE FARM AND HOME.

Young Colt Rarely Recovers from Stunt-Pond Water Good for Cows...

Handling Foals. Whatever method is employed in view of foals, it should have in view the full and unretarded development of the growing colt.

Ponds for Watering Cows. So much is said about the need of water for cows that most people have come to the conclusion that pond water is always objectionable.

Mud Under Bearing Trees. Almost all kinds of fruit trees suffer in the summer for lack of water.

A Cheap Good Site. A good site can be built cheaply and easily by the exercise of a little thought and ingenuity.

The Value of a Good Spring. A spring of pure water on any farm is at least a hundred dollars to its owner.

Nature Studies. We cannot but feel that an elementary knowledge of plant growth and of the processes of nature will some day be considered a natural part of education of all boys and girls in this country.

Feed for Swine. Swine and hogs should have rings into their snouts, and then turned into the orchard.

Millet for Cutworms. The use of millet for clearing the ground of cutworms is a very useful crop.

Temporary Fences Best. Every year the amount of interior fencing is lessening, and it is not, as is generally thought, because fencing material is growing cheaper.

much labor to put up. But the woven-wire fence has a still greater advantage in the fact that it can be easily taken down and set up again.

How Beets Were Improved. It is by successive plantings of beet seed from the plants which showed the greatest percentage of sweet, that the amount of saccharine matter in the beet has been increased from eight per cent. from the best up to fourteen and even eighteen per cent.

Stock in Rainy Weather. Stock at pasture in summer often suffer more from cold in wet weather than they do from the cold of winter.

Portland Markets. Wheat—Walla Walla, 65@66c; Valley, 67c per bushel.

Apple Tree Borers. It behooves apple growers to be on the lookout for the borer, which, if unchecked, will ruin their trees.

Care of Grain Drills. The grain drill is much too expensive an implement to be left to rust by neglect in curing for it.

Farm Notes. The burdock, considered a nuisance in this country, has been cultivated as an article of food in Japan for centuries.

It will pay any farmer to read about his business; no matter how experienced he may be there are many things which he will never know from his own ventures.

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WEEKLY MARKET LETTER.

Howling Hopkins & Company's Review of Trade.

There was not much activity or business in the wheat market during the week partially owing to the very hot weather throughout the states east of the Rocky mountains.

The July returns of the departments of agriculture indicate the average condition of spring and winter wheat combined are 84.9, which is 2.7 points higher than last month.

In the spring wheat district the month has been wholly favorable and previous high condition of the crop is fully maintained.

For the past week the decrease in the visible supply was 874,000 bushels, and the total is now but 16,469,000 bushels.

The weather was the controlling influence in the corn market during the last week. There was renewed activity over a range of about 1 1/2 cents.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 65@66c; Valley, 67c per bushel. Flour—Best grades, \$3.50@3.60; Graham, \$3.25; superfine, \$2.25 per barrel.

Barley—Feed barley, \$16@16.50; brewing, \$18@19 per ton. Millets—Bran, \$15.50 per ton; middlings, \$21; shorts, \$15.50.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 35@40c; fair to good, 30c; dairy, 25@30c per roll.

San Francisco Markets. Wool—Choice foothill, 9@11c; San Joaquin, 6 months' 8@10c; do year's staple, 7@9c; mountain, 10@12c; Oregon, 10@12c per pound.

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A Secret Newspaper.

A strange newspaper which many persons will be eager to obtain had its existence disclosed for the first time in the Von Tausch libel trial in Berlin.

It seems that certain aristocrats at Kaiser Wilhelm's court turn in the gossip they hear to an editor, who prints off a limited edition of the news thus collected for a few other persons.

ENTERPRISES OF GREAT FITH AND MOMENT. Have, we now, had their currents turned by the hand of fate, by an article of the "Secret Newspaper" in consequence.

IN ROME there are a few houses bearing the number 13. Nearly all the houses that shall bear those figures are marked 12B or 14A.

AN OPEN LETTER TO MOTHERS. We are assisting in the courts our right to the custody of our children.

The Lord Mayor's Robe. The lord mayor of London is entitled to wear an early robe whenever a crowned head visits the city.

A Little thing happened down at the home of Schilling's Best tea the other day that cost the firm a clean \$200, and the most interesting feature of the matter is that they could have got out of paying it if they wanted to—because it was a voluntary thing and no one expected them to do it.

It seems that, in the earlier part of the missing word contest, A. Schilling & Co. promised \$100 each to the two persons who sent in the largest number of Schilling's Best yellow tickets before June 15.

Among the botanical curiosities which have been found in the isthmus of Tehuantepec, lately much explored by naturalists, is a botanical clock.

It is well known that continued darkness has caused the vision of animals to become partially destroyed.

HOIT'S SCHOOL. Nowhere are boys better cared for and more thoroughly taught than at Hoit's school.

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Football was a crime in England during the reign of Henry VIII.

The stargazers of the Mount Hamilton observatory say that there are five hundred million burning suns in the Milky Way.

TO MOTHERS OF LARGE FAMILIES. In this workaday world few women are so placed that physical exertion is not constantly demanded of them in their daily life.

Mrs. Pinkham makes a special appeal to mothers of large families whose work is never done, and many of whom suffer and suffer for lack of intelligent aid.

To women, young or old, rich or poor, Mrs. Pinkham, of Lynn, Mass., extends her invitation.

Beetles of Great V. The most remarkable gold beetles in the world are found in Central America.

Who will get it?

Thomas Wentworth Higginson is now in England and is writing a series of articles on foreign travel.

Susan Escourt and Others, a collection of short stories by Edward Everett Hale, will shortly be issued.

R. N. Stephens will soon bring out the historical romance, "An Enemy to the King," based upon his drama of the same name which was presented with such success by E. H. Sothern.

The long-expected new volume of Justin McCarthy, "History of Our Own Times," which brings the story down from 1880 to the diamond jubilee, making the third volume in the completed work, is announced for publication.

Edward Bellamy's new book, "Equality," is now promised to appear in a few days.

That famous mart of books, pictures and other treasures, known to more than one generation as "Christie's," is to be celebrated in a volume by W. Roberts, who is just the man in all London qualified to write it.

Miss Jeannette L. Gilder, in her "Looming" columns of the Critic, takes a rather discouraging view of the pecuniary benefits of fiction writing.

Home Life Among the Indians. Mrs. Alice C. Fletcher contributes a paper with this title, one of a series on similar subjects, to the Century.

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Russian Railroads. Russia, with over 4,875,000 square miles more than the United States, has 158,000 miles less of railroads.

College Men in Public Life. R. C. Lehmann of England, who was a candidate for election to parliament at the hands of the Cambridge constituency, in an address before the students of Harvard College recently, gave expression to this view.

Beetles of Great V. The most remarkable gold beetles in the world are found in Central America.

DRUNKARDS CAN BE SAVED. The drinking for drink is a danger a manly cure for which has been discovered called "Anti-Jag" which makes the individual feel as if he had never drunk without knowing why.

Singular Effects of Cold. A bar of lead cooled to a point about 300 degrees Fahrenheit below zero, according to the experiments of M. Pictet, gives out, when struck, a pure musical sound.

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